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TESSI WAS TELLING THE TRUTH
WHEN HE SAID HE HAD A NUCLEAR
DEVICE HIDDEN IN THIS PHONY
JUNGLE OF HIS...

RAVAGE 2099
CREATED BY
STAN LEE & PAUL RYAN

ONLY KNOWING THAT MY
DEATH WAS TEN MINUTES
BEHIND HIS, COULD
MAKE HIM SO SMUG...

...THERE'S NO WAY I CAN
FIND THE EXIT TO THIS
PLACE AND GET AWAY TO
SAFETY IN THAT TIME...

...OF ALL THE WAYS
FOR ME TO DIE--
THIS ONE REALLY
MAKES ME MAD!

THE SAVAGE IS LOOSE!

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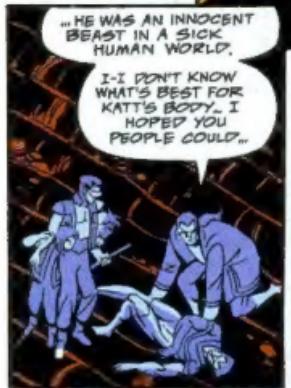


DOC, I'M HEARING THE WRONG VOICE... NOW GO AND CHANGE SOME BANDAGES OR SOMETHING, OKAY?



JUST TELL ME WHAT YOU REMEMBER.





I BETTER GET STRAIGHT TO MY OFFICE... FIND OUT WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON IN MY ABSENCE.

THE BUSINESS WITH DUPLEDGE WILL SURFACE AT SOME POINT... I BETTER GET MY ACT TOGETHER... EXPLAIN THINGS TO DAD AND THE REST.

GREEN GLOBE

HI, BRYAN

ER, YEAH...
HI, MR. RAVAGE.

WHAT THE BLUE SHOCK IS GOING ON HERE... THIS IS MY OFFICE, DAD!

IS THIS ANOTHER OF MIRANDA'S GAMES, OR WHAT?

SON, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO ASK YOU TO WAIT IN THE BOARDROOM... THESE ARE SPECIAL INVESTIGATORS... I'M SORRY, BUT I CALLED THEM IN.

OKAY, SON... THIS SHOULDN'T TAKE LONG... AS I PREDICTED, THERE WAS NOTHING INCRIMINATING IN YOUR OFFICE.

THIS ALL SMACKS OF ANOTHER CONSPIRACY TO TOPPLE YOU, BUT THIS TIME THEY HAVE SOME REALLY CONVINCING EVIDENCE.

MOM, GYLLA... WHAT EXACTLY IS GOING ON HERE?

WHAT AM I ACCUSED OF THIS TIME...?

OH, PAUL- PHILIP... WILL THIS FAMILY EVER KNOW PEACE?

BEST NOT SAY TOO MUCH, MRS. RAVAGE... WE'VE BEEN WARNED HE MIGHT GET VIOLENT.

GET THAT THING SET UP,
AND WE'LL ALL HAVE A
LOOK...

MOST OF THE EVIDENCE
AGAINST YOU HAS BEEN BROUGHT
BY DARRIUS RUSH, THE HEAD OF
SYNTIA, AND HIS ASSOCIATES...
IT'S MOSTLY CIRCUMSTANTIAL
STUFF AND OBVIOUSLY
FAKED HOLOs...

...BUT THIS IS ALEC
DUPLÉGE. I WOULD
NOT TAKE HIS ENVIOUS
RANTINGS
SERIOUSLY...

...BUT THIS WAS
RECORDED BY A TRU-
ECTOR AND CHECKED
BY MY OWN
TECHNICIANS.

MY NAME IS
ALEC DUPLÉGE. PARENTS:
TATIANA IZUKIO AND HENRI
DUPLÉGE. CREDIT REF:
B640559-KX-1001R, STATUS
PLATINUM...

STATEMENT
TRUE!

LET ME FIRST GET SOMETHING
OUT OF THE WAY--YES, I HAVE
CONSPIRED FALSELY TO HAVE PAUL-
PHILIP PUT AWAY IN A PSYCHIATRIC
FACILITY... AND I ALSO THREATENED
HIM WITH A GUN JUST BEFORE HE
ATTACKED ME...

STATEMENT
FALSE!

ALL RIGHT, I SHOT
HIM! I KEPT SHOOTING
AND THE BULLETS SLAMMED
INTO HIM... ENOUGH TO KILL
A GRAV-BALL
TEAM!... BUT
HE DIDN'T
DIE!

HE-HE TRANSFORMED BEFORE
MY VERY EYES... EVEN AS THE BULLETS
WERE RIPPING INTO HIM, HE HEALED
INSTANTLY AND CHANGED INTO A
HIDEOUS, HORNS BEAST...

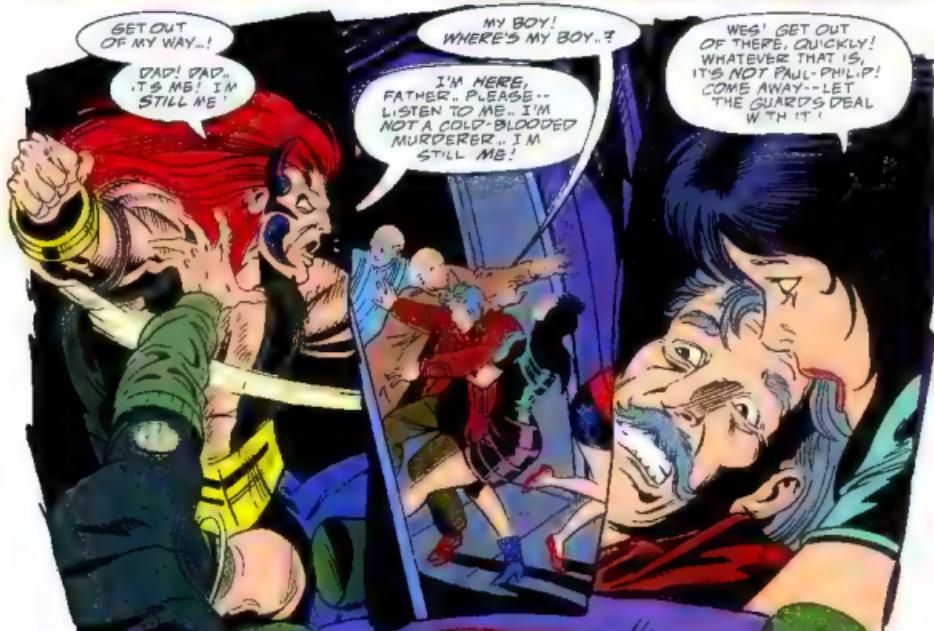
...GREAT CLAWS SPRANG OUT
OF HIS FINGERTIPS! HE STARTED
RIPPING INTO ME-- TEARING
AND SLICING...

...HE HAD
SLAVERING JAWS, HIS
EYES WERE LIKE SOME
EVIL PREDATOR
THAT--

"STOP...!
I THINK
WE'VE
HEARD
ENOUGH!"









AND AGAIN, MEN!
DON'T STOP TILL YOU
RUN OUT OF AMMO..!
WE'VE ALL HEARD
ABOUT HOW HARD
HE IS TO KILL!







I COULD GET USED TO THIS...
NO MORE MURKED CHANGES
IN CO-SETS. NO MORE
WATCHING WHAT I SAY...







WHAT DO YOU MEAN "CRITICAL MOMENT"? FOR SHOCK-SAKE, DARRIUS! THIS IS A--



BUT I MUST SAY HE DID A REALLY GOOD JOB.





I AM SURE THAT YOUR MAGNIFICENT HORNS, CLAWS AND TEETH ARE ACCCOMPANIED BY SHARPLY HONED SENSES...

THE SENSES OF A PREDATOR-- PERFECTLY IN TUNE WITH HIS EQUALLY SAVAGE ENVIRONMENT...

...BUT LOOK AROUND YOU, WILD MAN... LOOK DOWN AT THE CITY BELOW!

YOU'RE IN THE WRONG JUNGLE! I'M THE PREDATOR HERE!



SO WHAT IF YOU'RE RIGHT?! IT DOESN'T CHANGE SQUAT! YOU'RE STILL RUINING LIVES... POLLUTING THE ATMOSPHERE...

...YOU ARE STILL MY ENEMY, AND YOU MUST DIE!

GO AHEAD-- THROW ME OVER THE SIDES! TRACK DOWN ALL THE BAD WIZARDS OF THE EVIL EMPIRE...! SAVE THE PEOPLE...!

DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND...?

THEY DON'T WANT TO BE SAVED! DO YOU THINK THEY'D LIVE LIKE THEY DO, IF IT WASN'T WHAT THEY REALLY WANTED? I DIDN'T CREATE THE JUNGLE, RAVAGE... I JUST LIVE IN IT THE BEST I CAN.



AND YOU DON'T BELONG HERE... IT'S YOU THAT'S WRONG!

THERE'S A LOT IN WHAT YOU SAY, RUSH-- THE CITY'S NOT MY NATURAL HABITAT. I MAY HAVE TO LEAVE IT...



JUST GO, RAVAGE -- THE HUMAN SPECIES DOESN'T NEED A HAIRY SAVIOR TO LEAD IT INTO THE LIGHT...

YOU'RE OUT OF PLACE HERE, BEAST MAN. YOU'RE OUT OF YOUR DEPTH... YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND THE RULES.



YOU ARE PROBABLY RIGHT.



BUT YOU'RE EVIL... AND WHATEVER'S WRONG WITH MANKIND, THEY DON'T NEED A DANGEROUS ANIMAL LIKE YOU EATING AT THEM FROM WITHIN.



NOW I'M GOING TO DO WHAT I CAME HERE FOR...

...RAAAGH



RANTS & RAVES

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Out Of My Head

Like I've been saying in the DOOM 2099 editorials, technology itself is nothing to be afraid of. It's the jokers who adapt and use it that could use a talking to.

What constitutes a wise use and a poor use of technology?

Using a computer to make new movies starring Marilyn Monroe. This would be a poor use of technology.

Giving Space Ghost a talk show. This would be a poor use of technology.

Covering facial tissue with lotion so that when you have a cold and sneeze all day you don't rip your delicate nose to shreds. This would be a wise use of technology.

Everybody clear on this point?

Dear Rants & Raves,

I'm a fan of the 2099 series, and have every issue of SPIDER-MAN 2099 and RAVAGE 2099. They're great comics with strong storylines that display fantastic artistry. Unfortunately, these are the only titles in the 2099 series sold here, so I'm in the dark about DOOM 2099 and the others.

RAVAGE 2099 #17 was greatly impressive! Throwback's a great idea for a character: an equally powerful adversary with all his strengths and weaknesses.

I've come to a conclusion about the identity of Dethstryke. He's a normal human being in a mechanical suit of armor designed to filter the air of Hellrock so that he doesn't become a victim of the radiation. This gauntlet he wears simulates his powers. Before I leave, I have a list of recommendations:

- 1) Bring back Dethstryke.
- 2) Show more of Tiana (with her new powers, of course).
- 3) Have more of Throwback.
- 4) Don't do any short "Young Ravage" stories.

Jonathan Bell

(Address withheld by request)

Well, there goes the "Ravage at Rivardale High" series for 2099 UNLIMITED!

Dear Joey,

RE: RAVAGE 2099 #17.

Another short note just to let you guys know how you're doing. I must admit that when I heard Stan Lee would stop writing this book, you had me a wee bit worried, but now, about ten issues after the Men's

departure, I can safely say RAVAGE 2099 has taken an interesting new direction (though completely different from what I would've expected from Stan Lee) and a truckload of new and intriguing supporting characters.

Only one aspect of the Paul-Philip Ravage character deserves more attention. The fact that when he's in animal mode his rational side can't control his bestial behavior makes for interesting reading, but Pet and Tony don't focus enough on that. Granted, this issue they devoted one panel to this aspect, but the truly devoted Ravage fan wants to see more. Show us the ramifications of Ravage's brutal and bestial behavior, show us the impact that violence has on the usually peace-loving Paul-Philip. This could be one heckuva storyline, felines. Just consider it, okay?

As for the art, nothing but compliments can be awarded to Grant Morrison, who currently is showing his best work to date and quickly taking this book to unknown heights as far as the visual aspect of comic books is concerned. Keep the man around, you're lucky to have such a gifted artist in your midst.

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3704 LP Zeist, Netherlands

Pet and Tony must have read your mind, Olav, because they plan on focusing more on Ravage's bestial side in future issues.

Dear Rants & Raves,

I collect comics, but I've got to say that RAVAGE 2099 is the best, especially lately with villain after villain and tons of action. It was a great idea to have Ravage become a beast!

- 1) Will there ever be a Fantastic Four 2099?
- 2) Whatever happened to Deck?
- 3) Will there ever be a double-sized issue of RAVAGE 2099?

Jesse McKone
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- 1) If enough people ask for it.

2) As you've seen this issue, Deck is alive and well and living on a farming collective.

- 3) Check out issue #25, our Anniversary!

Dear Joey & Matt,

As a loyal fan of RAVAGE 2099 since issue #1, I feel I had to write in to let you guys know how I feel about the direction of the book. Though I've enjoyed the Throwback storyline a great deal, it's time for the beast-men to leave the big city. I for one would love to see more of the world of 2099. It would make for some great stories if Ravage were to leave behind his family and friends and head out on the road. Hey, maybe he could ride a futuristic motorcycle and call himself Easy Ravage 2099! Then again maybe not... Until Ravage shaves his head, make mine Marvel!

Kevin Winters

(Address withheld by request)

You, Olav, Pet and Tony are all on the same wavelength, Kevin! That's exactly what we'll be doing starting with issue #23.

MORE OF MARVEL 2099

Most of you guys are good about writing to us right away, as soon as you pick up the current issue. Great! While we love hearing from you anytime, there's nothing like the instant gratification of hearing from you all as soon as the book's hit the stand! Like we said, great!

As you've doubtless read elsewhere, we're tentatively planning DOUBLE-SIZED issues to celebrate our Anniversary. Meaning you'll get the usual action-packed adventures of DOOM, RAVAGE, SPIDEY 2099 and THE PUNISHER 2099, plus some new spin-off characters we're dyin' to try out! Who? We're leavin' that up to you!

So, like we said, the time to write us is now! We want your suggestions and we need 'em fast! If you ever thought your vote didn't matter or that we don't read the mail, guess again.

All right, you finished this Ish, now go get a stamp!

NEXT ISSUE

We follow the readers' consensus: Ravage strikes out on his own, with the aid of the most remarkable new supporting cast member you've never seen!



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